

**HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 31, 2009 – 6:00 P.M.
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Minutes Meeting #28

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The special meeting of the Hudson City School District Board of Education was held on March 31, 2009 at the Hudson High School, 215 Harry Howard Avenue, Hudson, NY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Mary Daly at 6:00 P.M. with the following Board Members in attendance:

PRESENT: Mary Daly
Patricia L. Abitabile
John J. Mabb
Emil Meister
Peter Meyer
Jeffrey Otty

LATE ARRIVAL: Peter S. Rost (6:04 P.M.)

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent John F. Howe
Assistant Superintendent Amanda Bagnato
Business Manager Daniel P. Barrett

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Howe, Mrs. Abitabile made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mabb, that the BOE accept the agenda. **AGENDA ACCEPTED**
Ayes – 6 Nays – 0 **MOTION PASSED**

Old Business:

5.1.1 Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Howe, Mr. Otty made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meister, that the BOE waive the fees for use of our Hudson Middle School facilities by the Hawthorne Caballeros for the Flag Day Parade. **ELKS CLUB FEES WAIVED**
Ayes – 4 Nays – 2 Mrs. Abitabile **MOTION PASSED**
Mrs. Daly

(Board Member Peter Rost arrived at the meeting at 6:04 P.M.)

Budget Discussion:

On a motion by Mr. Rost with a second by Mr. Mabb, the Board of Education declares the Claverack School as surplus and proposes that it be placed on the ballot in May and also allow Questar to rent the building for one more year. **CLAVERACK BUILDING SURPLUS**
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION PASSED**

On a motion by Mr. Rost with a second by Mr. Mabb, the Board of Education declares the Greenport School as surplus and proposes that it be placed on the ballot in May and allow the Alternate Learning Program to continue to use the premises until the end of the 2009-2010 school year. **GREENPORT BUILDING SURPLUS**
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION PASSED**

On a motion by Mr. Rost with a second by Mr. Meister, the BOE will seek legal counsel to determine what the legal ramifications would be to change the current transportation routes. **LEGAL COUNSEL**
Ayes – 7 Nays – 0 **MOTION PASSED**

PUBLIC FORUM

- A. Elizabeth Fouts – concerns regarding teacher cuts and suggested salary freezes
- B. Vince Wallace – Questions and concerns regarding tax increase, student enrollment, class size and other budget issues

ADJOURNMENT

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Howe, Mr. Rost made a motion, seconded by Mr. Meister, to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 P.M.

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

MOTION PASSED